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**Denali Training Fund Program  
Quarterly Progress Report**

Funds for this project are provided by the Denali Commission and the USDOL and managed, in partnership, by the Alaska Department of Labor and Workforce Development.

Name of Organization:	Bristol Bay Area Health Corporation / 10-203 366-HH
Name of Project:	Dental Health Aide Therapist
Reporting Period:	07/01/10 - 09/30/10
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Certification: I certify that the information in this report is current, correct and true and in accordance with the terms and conditions of the agreement.

Signed by: Douglas White DBS Dated October 13, 2010

The performance of this grant will be based upon the success achieved in relation to the goals established and approved by the Alaska Department of Labor, and will be reported in the Grantee's quarterly progress reports. Specific goals and objectives for this project are:

Bristol Bay Area Health Corporation (BBAHC) will sponsor training and provide employment for one 2<sup>nd</sup> year Dental Health Aid Therapist (DHAT) based out of the village of Manokotak. Many villages will be affected when the DHAT begins traveling within the region.

The DHAT program is managed by the Alaska Native Tribal Health Consortium (ANTHC), with training for first year DHAT's provided by University of Washington, utilizing the University of Alaska facility. For the 2nd year DHAT, training is provided in Bethel at the CHAP training center. The cost of \$50,000 is for training the 2<sup>nd</sup> year DHAT which includes training costs, travel, lodging and meals. ANTHC manages the funding for the training in conjunction with other grants and payments they receive. BBAHC does not have the facility or personnel to provide the first and second year training requirements of the DHAT program.

The request to the Denali Training Fund Program is for \$20,000, and \$30,000 will be the grantee (BBAHC) contribution towards the ANTHC costs.

<b>TARGET POPULATION:</b>	1 participant
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Participants served to date: 1

<b>GOALS/OBJECTIVES ACCOMPLISHED TO DATE:</b>
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Please provide the number of participants served to date. 1
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**Goal 1** To improve employability skills through hands-on training experiences to prepare rural Alaskans for successful transition in to Alaska's workforce.

**Objective 1.1** Participant maintains passing grade average.

**Objective 1.2** Participant maintains above average attendance record.

**Objective 1.3** By December 30, 2010 participant successfully completes training program.

**Objective 1.4** By December 30, 2010 participant will be employed.

Goals & Obj.		Outcome	In Compliance each Quarter	Documentation
1	1	Participant maintains passing grade average.	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Y <input type="radio"/> N	Maintain copies of grade reporting on file for inspection.
	2	Participant maintains above average attendance record.	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Y <input type="radio"/> N	Maintain copies of attendance reporting on file for inspection.
	3	By December 30, 2010 participant successfully completes training program.	Y/N	Maintain copy of completion certificates on file for inspection
	4	By December 30, 2010 participant will be employed.	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Y <input type="radio"/> N	Maintain copy of employment letter on file for inspection.

<b>NARRATIVE OF SERVICES:</b>
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Provide a brief narrative of services provided this quarter by applicable Goal/Objective as listed above.

Ferdella Sharp has continued to learn and hone the necessary clinical skills to become an efficient and productive Dental Health Aide. The communication skills and teaching skills have transformed Ferdella. She is much more confident and self assured than when she started. She has endured tremendous family crisis and pressure, but has stuck with the program. She is an asset to the program.

**ACCOMPLISHMENTS: SUCCESS STORIES:**

Provide a narrative of participant successes resulting from participation in your program. Please include photos.

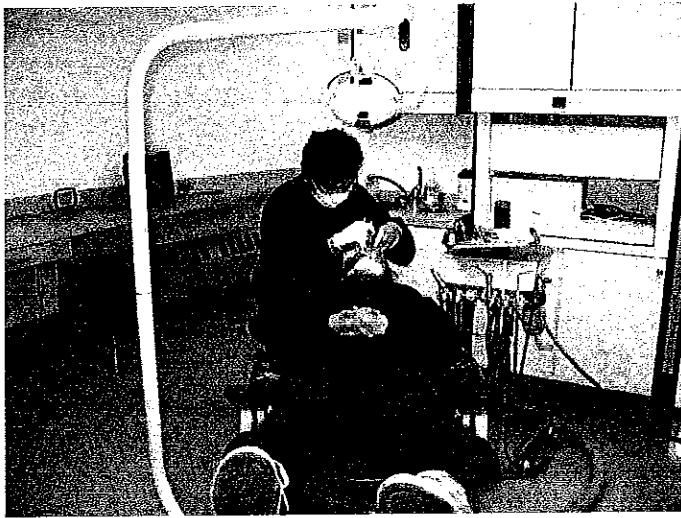
I feel that the best way to display the accomplishments and success stories are by reading the words directly from Ferdella herself:

"It has been 9 months and two weeks since we started our clinical training here in Bethel. We still have an hour and a half of class time every morning and then see patients regularly during the day. We have also gone on two different village travels, which helps us become more efficient and experience what it will feel like when we start our preceptor ship after we graduate. We have been working on community projects as well, and I teamed up with one of my classmates to work with WIC on reducing caries (baby bottle tooth decay) in babies age 0-2 years old in the Yukon Kuskokwim Delta, a project I am hoping to continue when I start practicing in Manokotak. This is a new project, so just like any new project, we have come across some difficulties in getting participants, but we are trying other strategies that might work. Another project that I am working on is a case presentation that I will present before graduation which is on Caries Control.

Rewarding accomplishments that I am proud of are: that I have made it this far and getting close to graduating, actually trying out our community project with WIC parents and their children, and after the village travels that I can actually do dentistry efficiently and a little more independently than I thought. There are also two patients that have made me more determined to continue to encourage better oral hygiene for everyone. I used to wonder if the oral hygiene instruction we do with these patients were ever taken seriously. These two have come a long way from poor oral hygiene to good oral hygiene, because when I first started working with them, you could see that they didn't take care of their teeth or didn't seem interested. When they smile it would be half a smile with their mouth closed, but by their last visit they were smiling big at everyone showing off their teeth.

My plans till graduation are to continue with my community project with WIC parents and children, hopefully with more participants. Finish my Caries Control case presentation, and hopefully graduate."

I think you can feel her excitement and pride in what she is accomplishing.



Ferdella conducting a check-up.



The class is getting instruction on patient care.



Test time.

**PLANNED ACTIVITIES FOR NEXT REPORTING PERIOD:**

Describe the grant activities you expect to complete during the next quarter.

Ferdella will be graduating along with her classmates in December. She will work under the direction of the dentists at Kananak Hospital until we are sure that she will perform well in Manokotak, under general supervision.

**ON TIME AND ON BUDGET:**

Are the grant activities progressing as planned? Are you within your budget? If not, what is the cause? What is the solution? How can we help?

Yes. The training funds were sent to ANTHC in July. They have used those funds to help with the expenses of training Ferdella.

**DEMOGRAPHIC DATA:**

List the number of trainees by their home community, the type of training, certification, training date, graduation date, and who will employ them upon completion of training this quarter.

Number of Trainees	Home Community	Type of Training	Type of Certification	Training Dates	Graduation Date	Commitment for employment after training
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1	Manokotak	DHAT	DHAT	1/09 - 12/10	12/2010	Yes



**Please note:** The data collected in your Quarterly Progress Report provides vital information that can have a direct impact on future funding for our grant programs. Forwarding your success stories and photos as part of our requests is further evidence of how rural youth training is crucial to building a strong workforce for Alaska. Thank you in advance for your cooperation.